

FACTSHEET



Defender Challenge 2002

"Developing the Force through Competition"

The Competitors

- Eight MAJCOM teams
- One DOE team
- One UK Royal Air Force team

The Competition

- Lackland AFB, 21-24 Oct 02
- Sadler Cup instrumented tactical exercise
- Combat weapons tactical night live fire
- Handgun live fire / high stress targets

Competition & Transformational Goals

- First year Competition and Transformation combined
- Bring together the best Defenders
- Put the best hardware in their hands
- Set realistic mission scenarios
- Capture performance data
- Results shape the future force

The Story So Far

- Completed computer-based modeling and simulation
- Leveraged sister services and allies lessons learned
- Innovative systems mix now ready for final proving



Vision

•Defender Challenge 2002: A First Class Competition and a Transformation Proving Ground

Transformational Goals

- Defenders See First
- Understand First
- Act First



Innovative Systems Mix

Competitors will employ:

UK/PRC 343 Personal Role Radio • Intra-squad radio communications ·Aim: Improved coordination and situational M4 Carbine · Compact, updated awareness derivative of M16 rifle •Aim: Improved multi-AN/PVS-14 mission utility over Night Sight M16A2 rifle M68 Close Combat • M4-mounted or **Optic** helmet-mounted **TA01 Day Optic Sight** • Single aiming point red monocular • X 4 power magnified ·Aim: Improved dot sight for M4 sight for M4 •Aim: Improved close •Aim: Improved long target acquisition quarter target acquisition in low light range target acquisition

Transformational Outcomes

Factsheet to follow in Nov 02